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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mr. William O'Brien, Chairperson  
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors  
County Administration Building  
1010 Tenth Street, Ste 6500  
Modesto, California 95354

Dear Chairperson O'Brien:

Pursuant to President Bush's April 20, 2007, major disaster declaration (FEMA-1689-DR-CA, Amendment #1), the processing of U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency Emergency loans for physical and production losses has been authorized. Farmers and ranchers that incurred damages as a result of the January Freeze in the primary counties of **Kings, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus**; and the contiguous counties of **Alameda, Calaveras, Fresno, Kern, Mariposa, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara, Tulare, and Tuolumne** are eligible to apply.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

KARMA HACKNEY  
Program Manager

Enclosure

- c: Stanislaus County OES  
Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner  
California Department of Food and Agriculture  
OES Regional Administrator

**U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation M1689  
Presidential Declaration (Amendment #1) – Severe Freeze**

**Designation  
Information**

The following table illustrates the designation information.

<b>Eligible Primary County(s):</b>	<b>Kings, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus</b>
<b>Eligible Contiguous County(s):</b>	<b>Alameda, Calaveras, Fresno, Kern, Mariposa, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara, Tulare, Tuolumne</b>
<b>Event:</b>	Pursuant to President Bush's April 20, 2007, Amendment No. 1 to the major disaster declaration (DR-1689), due to damages caused by severe freeze which occurred January 11 – 17, 2007.
<b>Assistance made available by designation:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster</li> <li>• Up to a maximum of \$500,000</li> <li>• Interest rate of 3.75 percent</li> </ul>
<b>Application deadline:</b>	<b>December 20, 2007</b> <i>NOTE: For counties named above, this application deadline supersedes previous deadlines for USDA designations related to the freeze</i>
<b>Who may apply:</b>	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
<b>How to apply:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture</li> <li>• Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)</li> </ul>
<b>USDA website for additional information:</b>	<a href="http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm">www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm</a>